

REMARKS

This response is submitted in response to the Restriction Requirement dated October 21, 2004. Reconsideration and allowance is requested. Claims 1, 2-3, 7-9, 12-16, which are drawn to a media, remain in this application. Claims 4-6 and 10-11, which are drawn to a magnetic head, have been withdrawn as a result of this restriction requirement.

In the restriction requirement the Examiner required a restriction to either Group I, which included claims 2-3, 7-9, 12-16, or Group II, which included claims 4-6 and 10-11. The Applicant elects with traverse the claims of Group I, which include claims 1, 2-3, 7-9, 12-16.

The Examiner also requires that the Applicant elect a single species from the species of FIG. 1a, FIG. 2a, FIG. 3a, and FIG. 4a. The Applicant elects the species of FIG. 4a.

Conclusion

If there are any questions regarding these remarks or the application in general, a telephone call to the undersigned would be appreciated to expedite prosecution of the application.

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